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MEDIUM AND IMAGE	:
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# THIRD INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the Japanese documents are enclosed, together with English Abstracts for the Japanese documents.

These documents may be deemed pertinent because they were cited in an Office Action issued March 29, 2005 in Priority Japanese Application No. 11-107791.

U.S. Patent No. 6,108,098 corresponds to JP 09-186863.

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### **REMARKS**

JP 10-308870 discloses that the additional information generated by the image input device is embedded in the image in the form of password code, the embedded additional information is extracted by the computer, and it is then judged based on the extracted information whether or not the image formation is possible.

JP 10-243223 discloses that the printer which incorporates the print inhibit image recognition function judges whether or not each of the multivalued data, the binarized image data and the bit-map image data is a specific image.

JP 09-186863 discloses the method of performing the inverse process of the color space conversion and the correction to the image data to recognize that the image represented by the image data is the image of a specific image.

However, Applicant submits that none of the documents disclose the features wherein "a forgery preventing module in an operating system outputs an instruction for executing a predetermined display to a display driver according to the result obtained in said judging step" (Claim 21) or "a forgery preventing module in an operating system outputs an instruction for terminating a spooling operation according to the result obtained in said judging step" (Claim 47).

It is respectfully requested that the cited information be considered by the Examiner, that the next official communication indicate that such information has been considered, and that the Examiner initial the enclosed Form PTO-1449 indicating that the information listed thereon has been considered and return a copy of the initialed form.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below listed address.

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